

In the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method in a wireless communications device, the method comprising:

operating in a network other than a home network of the wireless communications device;

determining whether to search for the home network of the wireless communications device when not operating in the home network by comparing network record information associated with the network in which the mobile wireless communications device is operating to reference information includes comparing a network record name to a reference name.

2. (Original) The method of Claim 1,

identifying the network record information associated with the network in which the wireless communications device is operating using location area information associated with the network in which the wireless communications device is operating,

indicating at the wireless communications device in which network the wireless communications device is operating using the network record information associated with the network in which the wireless communications device is operating.

Claims 3-7 (Canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 [7], comparing the network record name to the reference name includes comparing an extended operator name string network name to the reference name.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 [7], comparing the network record name to the reference name includes comparing a network name used to indicate which network the wireless communications device is operating to the reference name.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 [7], comparing the network record name to a reference name includes comparing the network record name to common personal communications network handset specification operator name string information.

Claim 11-13 (Canceled).

14. (Currently Amended) A method in a mobile wireless communications device, the method comprising:

operating in a network other than a home network of the wireless communications device;

determining whether to search for the home network when operating in the network other than the home network based on information used to indicate that the wireless communications device is operating in a network other than the network in which the wireless communications device is operating,

wherein determining whether to search for the home network when operating in a network other than the home network includes comparing network number information to reference number information.

Claim 15 (Canceled).

16. (Original) The method of Claim 14, determining whether to indicate that the wireless communications device is roaming based on information used to indicate that the wireless communications device is operating in a network other than the network in which the wireless communications device is operating.

Claim 17-18 (Canceled).

19. (Currently Amended) A method in a mobile wireless communications device, the method comprising:

identifying a network in which the wireless communications device is operating;

determining ~~[network record information based on the network identified]~~ operator name string information corresponding to the network in which the wireless communications device is operating;

determining whether to search for a home network when roaming based on search information associated with the ~~[network record]~~ operator name string information ~~[identified]~~.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 19, indicating, at the wireless communications device, network information when roaming based on the ~~[network record]~~ operator name string information with which the search information is associated.

Claims 21-22 (Canceled).

23. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 19,
determining network record information includes determining extended operator name string information corresponding to the network in which the wireless communications device is operating,

determining whether to search for the home network when roaming based on search information associated with the extended operator name string information.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 19, determining whether to provide a roaming indicator on the wireless communications device when roaming based on the search information associated with the ~~[network record]~~ operator name string information ~~[identified]~~.